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1. It is stated that a center for research on and the production of rockets is situated on Usedom Island at Heringsdorf, under the command of a Colonel V. Charnishenko (previously spelled Tchernishenko). German engineers, experts on rocket production, assisted by hundreds of workmen, technicians and scientists, are working under strong MVD guard. They are denied correspondence or free movement. Part of their equipment was brought from Bornholm.
2. At Ahlbeck, on Usedom Island, a large plant known as "E.P.V.", working with equipment from the Vulkanwerke at Stettin, is reported to be producing "submarines with rocket bombs". 50X1-HUM
Comment: No explanation can be given as to the meaning of this information. It may refer either to the "Walther" jet-propelled submarine, or to submarines equipped for the launching of rockets. Output is stated to be small, because of continual improvements. The plant was directed by Major Nikolai Sokolovsky, an engineer from the Moscow Polytechnic and an expert on submarine construction. Heading the laboratories was a German, Alfred Finger. In March 1947, the total number of workers at the plant was 1,500, of whom some 400 were former employees of the Vulkanwerke.
3. At an experimental laboratory elsewhere on Usedom Island, some thirty-five German scientists and a few Russians have been engaged in unspecified work.

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